



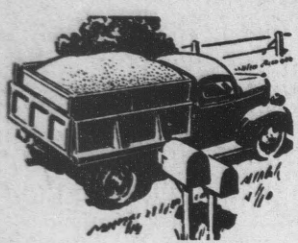
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WITH THE TEAMSTER

Of Local Union 287
GEO. JENOTT,
Secy.-Business Representative

LINE DRIVERS SEEK CONTRACT FOR ALL STATE

Negotiations for a new agreement for freight haulers, the "line drivers," have been started by a special committee appointed at a state conference recently at Los Angeles.

The committee, which includes George Jenott, business manager of Local 287, Charles Real, Joe Devney, John Cronin and William Conboy, will seek a setup whereby freight haulers of the entire state will be working under similar conditions and wages.

Co-ordination of agreements of the northern and southern part of the state into one master contract which will be adaptable to all the state is the aim of the negotiation committee.

The current contract expired December 15.

TOMMY BRETT LOSES SLEEP

Tommy Brett, president of Teamsters 287 and assistant business representative in the Santa Cruz County area, got a nocturnal automobile trip he wasn't expecting last week.

Brett, who lives about eight miles out of Santa Cruz, was telephoned at 1 a. m. that a light was still on in his office in downtown Santa Cruz. He got up, drove through the dim-out areas into town, and found the light was on. He apparently had left on by the Butchers Union after their meeting.

Hendy Teamsters Get Questionnaire

Teamsters, members of Local 287, at the Hendy Iron Works, have been sent special questionnaires from the union relative to the type of work they do, the questions designed to assist in coming negotiations.

All questions should be answered at once and the questionnaires returned to the union offices. Questions are regarding work classifications and type of work done.

Accident Death Toll Good News For Axis Foes

Boston, Massachusetts. The National Association of Manufacturers, which has been carrying on a smear campaign against the patriotism of U. S. workers, heard its own medical consultant, Dr. Victor G. Heiser, say at a conference here October 29 that 42,000 war plant workers have lost their lives in accidents since Pearl Harbor.

"This death toll," Heiser declared, "means broad grins on the faces of Hitler, Mussolini and Hirohito—a grin which must be wiped off and wiped off soon."

Speaking before a conference of the Associated Industries of Massachusetts, Heiser also said 11,000 war workers have been killed or injured every day since Pearl Harbor—a casualty rate immensely greater than that of the U. S. armed forces.

Speaking on the absentee problem, Heiser said this was due to bad health of ill-fed workers, and attacked in particular the "greasy spoon" restaurants at which factory workers are compelled to eat.

Japs, Using Opium on Chinese, Fall Victim

Chungking, China. Japanese soldiers are becoming dope fiends as a result of the methodical Japanese drive to fasten opium addiction on all of China. Reports coming out of Ichang on China's Yangtze river indicate that Japanese-occupied China is a center of Jap troops' dope addiction, despite Tokyo's attempts to keep its soldiers free of the affliction while fastening it onto the people of China.

FIRST WOMAN TEAMSTERETTE IS ACCEPTED

Teamsters Union 287 accepted its first woman member last week, Mrs. Millie McDonald, 26, driver for Kraft Cheese Co., becoming a full fledged teamsterette.

George Jenott, union business manager, declared it was strictly a "trial," pointing out that truck driving is strenuous work for any one and an unusually hard job for a woman. It's a war measure, he added.

Women members in Teamster unions are not a rarity, the Los Angeles union having some 50 women members, Jenott said. Future of women members being accepted into Local 287 depends on fate of retail deliveries, curtailments in certain lines making more men available.

Women can be accepted for some kinds of truck driving jobs, such as on construction work, where there is no lifting or heavy work. However, in such jobs as milk deliveries, etc., the work would be too heavy for women, Jenott pointed out.

Lettuce Drivers Wait Agreement

Lettuce truck drivers in the Salinas and Watsonville area, recently organized into Teamsters Local 287, are near an agreement and negotiations are continuing well.

George Jenott, business manager of Local 287, warned certain members of this new branch against dissatisfaction, pointing out that nothing can be accomplished by independent or individual actions.

In cases where wages are raised now, it must be through a bona fide union and with approval of the War Labor Board, it was pointed out. Individuals should not attempt to mislead other members on this score, as the WLB won't recognize individual actions.

Check into the number of lettuce truck drivers on the rolls of Local 287 has been certified and the agreement negotiations are continuing rapidly and with good results, Jenott said.

Unions Suggest Plan to Pep Up War Production

New York City. Suggestions for increased production were given by educational directors of AFL and CIO unions at the annual fall conference of the New York Women's Trade Union League.

"Many government agencies are now dabbling in manpower, but I think it is time we have a sensible coordinated organization to carry out a good manpower program," said Victor G. Reuther, assistant coordinator of war policy for the United Auto Workers, CIO.

"Selective service should also be brought under a manpower agency so that the present planless induction of workers will not continue to disrupt war production, particularly in shipyards and aviation plants."

Education Director Mark Starr of the International Garment Workers Union, AFL, said: "Nothing would be more conducive to all-out effort in production than a greater recognition of the trade unions by more representative and direct participation in the War Production Board."

"The great danger of industrial conscription is that its application will not be made by bodies having adequate labor representation."

Soldiers Laud Union Seamen for Ability

Washington, D. C. U. S. soldiers are "deeply grateful for the skillful seamanship that has escorted 800,000 of them safely across the submarine-infested waters of the Atlantic and Pacific," Army Chief of Staff Gen. Marshall said last week in a letter to Adm. King, Commander in Chief of the U. S. Fleet, on Navy Day.

WHAT THE UNIONS REPORT

Salinas, California
Culinary Alliance 467—No meeting, no action announced on new secretary.

Carpenters 925—Regular routine meeting.

Laborers 272—Christmas party scheduled December 21; short meeting held and \$20 more donated to fight against Slave Bill.

Theatre Operators 611—Meeting now only every two months; December meeting cancelled because of gas rationing; next meeting at Watsonville, in January. Three members entering Army. Election coming up.

Barbers 827—Lost several members to services or to defense areas; may have to double up on jobs; still waiting word on minimum price; Secretary Kenyon's dog raising a new family.

WE HELP THE CARPENTERS

(Ladies Auxiliary 373)

The Ladies' Auxiliary No. 373 of the Carpenters Union No. 924 held their regular business meeting on Wednesday, November 11.

Routine business details were taken care of. The group decided on having a pot-luck dinner on November 17 for members and families.

Mrs. Myrtle Hughes and Mrs. Leroy Brown took the obligation as new members and the Auxiliary is very happy to welcome both into our fold.

In the spirit of a holiday the ladies had refreshments after the meeting at Lew Ellen's. Those enjoying the fun were: Mrs. Marie Brayton, Mrs. Grace Logue (who was treasurer in Helen's absence), Mrs. Dorothy McAnaney, Mrs. Beulah Wenzinger, Mrs. Ruth Koch, Mrs. Bertha Thurman, Mrs. Jean Pilliar, Mrs. Bernice Pilliar, Mrs. Leroy Brown and Mrs. Myrtle Hughes.

Our next meeting will be a social and will be held on Wednesday, November 25. We are honoring the birthdays of Mrs. Grace Logue, Mrs. Jean Pilliar and Mrs. Blanche Van Emon. We will also celebrate the wedding anniversary of Mrs. Jean Pilliar, Mrs. Leroy Brown and Mrs. Astrid Nelson.

Jean Pilliar gets all her honors in one month with both a birthday and a wedding anniversary in November.

Mr. E. Van Emon left for the service on Friday, November 13. The Auxiliary will have to take Blanche under their wings until the war is over and Earl comes marching happily home again.

Mr. Lou Koch will leave on November 20 for San Francisco for his physical examination prior to being inducted into the service.

Oh, where and oh, where, are our two best friends and members, Mrs. Bessie Gunn and Mrs. Ruby Miller? We miss you, ladies; please come to our next meeting. We'll be looking for you.

The Auxiliary is planning on being busy for the next few months with war work. We hope we can be of some definite use to our men and boys in the service. The war is being felt keenly by many of our members and some of our homes are becoming more and more lonesome as one by one those dear to us are being called into the service.

It behooves all of our members to meet regularly with us to help ease the burden for all. Just a friendly smile or word from one member to another can mean so much when the road gets rough and the evenings long and lonesome with those we love so far away.

Let us all think of one another at this time and give thanks to our Maker that we are Americans.

—DOROTHY J. McANANEY.

Capitalism

And this is the good old Boston, The home of the bean and the cod, Where the Lowells talk only to Cabots, And the Cabots talk only to God. —J. C. BOSSIDY

Keeping It Rolling



Without careful attention to every detail of the machinery in the Nation's war plants, there'd be no production records about which American labor could boast. This worker adjusts the valve of the oil line which makes it possible for a huge war plant to roll smoothly along its job of producing for war.

In Union Circles

SALINAS

J. B. McGinley, newly-elected vice president of the labor council, acted in that capacity at last week's meeting.

It's getting to a splendid spirit of cooperation now when two leaders in the CIO can come into the AFL labor council and offer and receive pledges of help if needed. Suppose that had been suggested two years ago!

A letter of appreciation from Edward D. Vandeleur, state federation of labor secretary who is ill at San Francisco, was received by the labor council last week.

Ed Pilliar, of Carpenters 925, told the labor council of a visit to ranchers in parts of the state recently at which time he found the real farmers friendly to labor.

Johnny Mattos, secretary of Laborers 272 and an active outdoor man, read the council a letter showing how ranchers feel on current problems—this letter is reprinted in the "Forum" column of this paper.

Bill Pedigo, who writes and writes but never gets finished, should have taken time off last week for the labor council, we are informed. Oh well, that makes for a bigger banquet!

Bud Kenyon says his ramblings are like those of Herb Caen, erstwhile columnist for the S. F. Chronicle now in the Navy. Keep it up, Bud, maybe you'll get in the Navy, too, some day, or (worst luck) you might become a newspaperman.

In Union Circles

MONTEREY

It's rather lonely at the Carpenters Hall these days—with Hank Diaz and Wally Savage gone and with Dale Ward wondering when he's next. Gregory has the biggest smile—he says he's going to go last of all so no one will be there to watch as he grabs his gun and runs.

Fishing continues but with little results—no wonder many cannery workers are not working at that trade just now.

The CIO fishermen have an office in the Kimball Hotel building now.

Conscience

They take the paper and they read the headlines, So they've heard of unemployment, and they've heard of breadlines, And they philanthropically cure them all By getting up a costume charity ball. —OGDEN NASH.

San Juan Cement Off State 'WDP'

The San Juan Portland Cement Company of San Benito county was removed from the State Federation of Labor's "We Don't Patronize" list this week, the federation's news letter reported. The action followed reports that the plant now is under satisfactory union conditions, it was announced.

Kenyon Family Grooms 3 More House Guests

Salinas, California.

Three more have come to live with the W. G. Kenyons! W. G. Kenyon, labor council secretary and also secretary of the Barbers, reported that the family's pet poodle, "Peggy," gave birth to triplets. He says they are as cute as little white mice.

Newspaper Guild Of Los Angeles Admits Newsies

Los Angeles, California.

The Los Angeles Newspaper Guild voted to admit 500 newsboys, members of the Newsboys Industrial Union 75, into full-fledged Guild membership.

Hailed as a move which will strengthen the Guild, the action was taken upon the recommendation of the representative assembly at what was called the largest membership meeting ever held by the local guild. Details of the plans for absorbing the newsboys were not disclosed.

Dishonest Shops Pull All Kinds of Tricks

Schenectady, New York.

Several members of the women's auxiliary of a union here have learned of a new device for evading price regulations. Accustomed to buying a special brand of women's underwear known by the trade name of "Big-ez" selling for 49 cents, the women were recently informed by a merchant that the store was out of "Big-ez" but did have "Plump-ez" at 69 cents. Investigation showed, the women claimed, that "Big-ez" and "Plump-ez" were identical except for the price.

WHAT NEXT?

By-products of dairy processors may furnish synthetic rubber in the future. Rubber Director William Jeffers remarked recently that experiments to produce rubber from dairy products are being closely watched by Government officials, although "the project offers no immediate relief as a rubber substitute."

DEMAND THE UNION LABEL

CIO Leaders Here Will Co-operate; AFL Body Hears

Salinas, California.

Two leaders of the CIO unions in the Salinas area, Dixie Tiller and H. B. Fullerton, attended the Salinas labor council last week and pledged their cooperation with the AFL groups whenever the need arises.

Both told the council they were disappointed at outcome of Slave Bill Proposition No. 1, but said they hope that some further action might halt the vicious bill.

The efforts of William Green, AFL president, and Philip Murray, CIO president, toward a Labor peace were reviewed and need for a Labor unity was stressed.

ADD—SALINAS UNION CIRCLE

Secretary W. G. Kenyon of Barbers 827 was to attend the state barber board's hearing for creation of a minimum price scale for San Benito County. He was invited to attend the Hollister meeting at which Board Members Lake Young, Harold Pickering and Emil C. Long were in attendance. The board conducted examinations in Salinas earlier, with one applicant.

McGinley Named Labor Council Vice President

Salinas, California.

J. B. McGinley, business agent of Laborers 272 of Salinas, was named vice president of the labor council here last week, elected to fill the vacancy created when Dorothy Johns resigned her post as business agent of Culinary Alliance and became a proprietor, thus forfeiting her union rights for the time.

Other officers elected at the council's meeting for filling officer vacancies were Jessie King, of the Culinary Alliance 467, named to the Housing Committee; Tyrone Hood, named to the Executive Board; and McGinley, named to the Organizing Board.

Election of a press committee member was postponed one week.

Labor Council Banquet Tonight

Salinas, California.

The labor council at Salinas will stage a banquet for delegates before tonight's (Friday) regular meeting.

The affair will be at Sandbo's Cafe, now operated by Dorothy Johns, former business agent of Culinary Alliance 467 and former council vice president. Hour is 7 o'clock sharp, says Secretary Kenyon.

A Thanksgiving dinner will be served, with all the trimmings. All regular council delegates are invited.

Annual Kiddies Christmas Party Set For Dec. 21

Salinas, California.

The annual Christmas party of Laborers Union 272 for the children of union members and others of the Salinas area is scheduled for Monday night, December 21, it was announced this week.

Each year the union buys some 5000 bags of candy, oranges, nuts and other goodies, provides as many more gifts and then brings in Santa Claus to distribute the items.

BARBERS LOSE FOUR MEMBERS

Salinas, California.

Barber's Union 827 has lost four good members in recent weeks, Secretary W. G. Kenyon reports.

Vice President Raymond Jansen enlisted in the Navy. Wayne Hoofner is working in the shipyards. O. J. Tittle is in the Navy. Johnny Aguillo is taking a radio course at an Army school.

It may be necessary to double up on jobs, reports Kenyon, if the shortage gets worse.

IT'S AN IDEA

Salinas, California. Here's an idea suggested at the labor council meeting last week by Brother Tyrone Hood. He suggested that when members answer the roll call at each meeting they should state the number of union labels on their wearing apparel.

STATE FEDERATION ASKS ALL LABOR GROUPS TO GET MORE MEN ON THE RATION BOARDS

San Francisco, California.

(CFLNL)—Due to the number of complaints received by the Federation office dealing with the failure of labor to obtain proper representation on War Price and Rationing Boards, the following information is being issued so that the unions can be guided by it. Those unions which have not acted are requested to do so at once.

To obtain proper representation on these boards:

1. The labor unions in each community should get together and draw up a list of names to be submitted to their local Defense Councils. The local Defense Councils are supposed to nominate persons from such lists and send them to the State OPA Director, who has the power of assignment.

ENLARGING BOARDS

2. When the representatives from your local unions meet with their local Defense Councils, attention should be called to Section 2-B, Item 6, which permits the State OPA Director to enlarge the size of War Price and Rationing Boards, wherever necessary. These sections are quoted below for your information and guidance:

"Section 2-B, Item 6: Membership of the individual boards should include members from labor, and, where appropriate, members from agriculture. In the selection of labor and farmer members, the nominating body (Civilian Defense Council) should consult the recognized State and local organizations of labor and farmers."

"General Principles Governing the Number of Board Members

"Section 2-D: The OPA State Director is responsible for determining the number of Board members in each case. The appropriate number of Board members depends primarily upon the population of the area served by the Board. In no case is the number of members less than three, and except in unusual circumstances, the number of members should not exceed twelve.

Three members should normally be considered adequate for a Board serving a population of less than 20,000. In areas with population more than 20,000, it will usually be advisable to establish boards of more than three members, which will function on a panel basis. In any case, the discretion of the State Director shall prevail subject only to the prior approval of the OPA Regional Administrator."

WRITE TO STATE DIRECTOR

3. The local union representatives should send a letter to their State OPA Director, together with a copy of the list of names they submit to their Defense Council. In the letter they should state that the names have been submitted in accordance with the instructions of the Labor Office of the OPA.

4. In the event the local Defense Council refuses to act, appeal immediately to your State Director.

5. If satisfaction is not received from your State Director, you should inform the Labor Office of the OPA immediately.

REPORT ALL REBUTS!

Finally, in the event that representatives of unions in any community have met with resistance or lack of cooperation from the local Defense Councils or others, they should immediately inform the Federation Office, as well as bring it to the attention of Mr. Lee R. Smith, Regional Labor Representative of the Labor Production Division of the War Board: Room 553, 1335 Market Street, San Francisco. Mr. Smith has assured us that every assistance will be accorded the unions in this matter.

Organized Labor to Assume Big Responsibility in Gas Ration Program for Nation

San Francisco, California.

(CFLNL)—In the carrying out of the nation's gigantic rationing program, the unions are assuming a large share of the responsibility of seeing to it that all workers requiring more than the four gallons of gasoline allowed by "A" books receive it, so that production in industries vital to the war goes forward without hitch.

At all plants and factories employing 100 or more workers in war production, workers who need a "B" or "C" supplementary ration card for gasoline are to appear before a joint labor-management committee. Such committees have already proved their worth in handling recapping or second-grade tire applications by war workers in share-the-car pools.

Before a war worker can be certified to a Local War Price and Rationing Board for a supplemental ration, the official in charge of the Organized Transportation Plan at each of the various war plants have the following facts: Occupation; place of employment; mileage needs of the applicant; whether he is carrying 4 passengers (including himself), or, if he is not, whether alternate means of transportation are inadequate, and whether he is carrying as many passengers as is feasible.

UNIONS TO NAME COMMITTEE

Each union should immediately authorize an appropriate officer to get in touch with the management at the plants where it has membership and inform them of the union's readiness to assist in setting up the plan. The sooner this is done, the better, as problems will inevitably arise in each locality that can be satisfactorily handled only if the unions are represented on the labor-management committees in charge of the Organized Transportation Plans.

HERE IS SUGGESTED PLAN

The following suggestions issued by the Office of Price Administration may be helpful in solving some of the problems which may come up:

1. It is preferable that a single committee act for all workers in the plant (including executives, office workers and technicians) in order (a) to organize a unified, over-all transportation plan; and (b) to avoid inequities or suspicion of inequities among the various groups in the plants.

2. In many plants it may be possible for the committee to be set up as a sub-committee of the WPB War Production Drive Committees.

3. The question of representation on the committee by labor and management or by 2 or more bona fide labor organizations having membership in the same plant will have to be worked out locally. The Labor Office of the OPA will be glad to offer assistance if any difficulties arise.

BUY U. S. WAR BONDS

MACARTHUR'S MESSAGE TO LABOR—

...labor never has failed the Army or the Nation... I have complete trust in your Mighty Effort...

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CONSTRUCTIVE CRITICISM

It is one thing to be a faultfinding, backbiting critic without point or direction, or even any regard for truth; but constructive criticism, born of a desire to correct evils and achieve results, is an entirely different matter, whose presence or absence often spells the difference between success or failure.

There is nothing about our present war that justifies hushing up inexcusable blunders by those entrusted with its conduct. It may mean demotion or discharge for a soldier to criticize a superior officer, but to take the position that civilians may not point out glaring defects that cause failure in our war effort and prolongs a war that everybody wants completely finished as soon as it is humanly possible to do it, is neither good sense nor helpful to those sought to be shielded.

The only helpful cure for an incompetent is to replace such a person by one more capable. The best way to remedy wasted efforts getting no satisfactory results is to try something else and to keep on trying till some way is found that achieves the desired objective. To allow incompetents to stay in head positions, because of friendships or political pull, is the poorest kind of management. To hush up their blunders and mistakes is doing the rest of our people who have to pay for these an injustice.

It is true that generals must map out war strategies and decide when they are to be put into effect but when they demonstrate by their own conduct they are eternally blundering and getting nowhere or outright losing it is high time that not only something be said about it but that something be done about it.

What people want in this present war is the naked truth. By giving our people the truth they can help far more than my misleading them into believing all is well, when it is not. Nothing but loss of confidence is gained by claiming victories for defeats.

It is well known that many reputations are merely manufactured for a purpose. Build-ups are frequently made with political objectives in view rather than winning the war and how often does it not happen that the general who is given the credit for a victory owes most if not all that credit to his subordinates?

Now that our forces in Europe have finally opened what looks like the beginning of a real offensive in North Africa, let us hope they will step on the advantages they now hold. For months offensive operations have been quite generally demanded. It was a healthy demand that did no harm and may have helped to get it under way sooner than if nobody had ever said anything.

Why those in charge of the Aleutian campaign are still piddling along instead of cleaning up on the few Japs still remaining at Sitka is one of the mysteries of 1942. Why our own forces were not sent out to establish adequate outposts at or near Sitka before the Japs got there is another mystery. But us forgiving and forgetting Americans can overlook all this if those in charge now will see to it that the Japs speedily are driven completely out of the islands.

MacArthur and his group are the ones that have done the best of all under most trying and discouraging circumstances. All of us should be ashamed of our failure to get supplies to these forces in the Pacific and the snail-like slowness in getting both men and supplies over there now when they can really do a lot of good. But even this defect seems to be on the mend now.

VOLUNTARY OR COMPULSORY

Splendid voluntary response continues to be forthcoming in the buying of war bonds. Increasing numbers of workers are buying war bonds for ten per cent of their earnings. Failure to buy these bonds voluntarily would necessitate the use of other means to secure the money necessary to conduct this war.

What that other means will be is not for any one to say at the present time, but war is war and if our people are reluctant about doing their plain duty, which they have not been thus far, it is quite conceivable that the government may later find it necessary to impose a ten per cent war tax on every worker who earns anything. In that event it would be paid to the last cent, while those who hesitated about doing it, would soon cease to have the opportunity to earn free men's wages at all.

If such a war tax should become necessary nobody would be to blame for it but the slackers, who did not want to invest ten per cent of their earnings in war bonds. This reduces the entire matter to a very simple proposition: It is this: Invest ten per cent of your earnings now in war bonds and for every \$300 so invested while the war continues, you will receive back again in ten years \$400.

Unless this is done continuously, without interruption, it will surely become absolutely necessary to raise this money by a war tax.

The World fair and unfair

Dr. Harry Oliveto

WHITE SAVAGES

An act recently took place in the state of Mississippi which must bring a sense of shame to every honorable American. Three negroes were lynched in the state of Mississippi, two of them fourteen year old boys, all the victims of indescribable brutality. A shudder must have passed through our eleven million negroes, still recovering from a lynching even more gruesome and beastly which took place some months ago in Missouri. But nothing is gained by wasting words on the fiends who perpetrated these crimes. They belong in the same class with the minions of Hitler who waged the 1938 pogrom against the Jews and lately murdered the men of the Czech Village of Lidice.

On the other hand, nothing is gained and a great deal is lost by the hush-hush attitude of a lot of whites who keep telling us that the "negro problem" is very complicated and won't be solved overnight. We prefer to call it the white problem and we insist that, even if it can't be solved overnight, we could make a great deal more progress towards its solution than we have made so far.

When an ignorant and brutal rabble took three negroes out and lynched them, it struck a blow at every home in the United States, at every home whose protection depends upon the loyalty of dark-skinned soldiers, soldiers who may hail from Alabama, Africa or Asia. The doctrine of states rights becomes a ridiculous fiction to be consigned to the waste basket when it allows one state to place the rest of the country in jeopardy.

There are no rights, and this goes for the sovereign rights of the state of Mississippi, which take precedence over elementary ideals of human decency. When the people of Mississippi allow a fraction of their number to flaunt these ideals, to subject our whole country to the ridicule and moral condemnation of the world, it is high time that they be held responsible, and, if they are irresponsible, it is high time that the rest of the country assume responsibility.

In the end we cannot place the blame exclusively upon the white savages of Mississippi. They must be held responsible but we must remember that we do not hold the cannibals of Africa morally accountable. The blame is ours too. It is ours because of the inertia which permits the anti-lynching bill to languish in Congress out of deference to the southern congressmen who logroll to keep it there. It is ours because, although lynching is kidnapping and thus comes within the scope of the FBI, federal officials have avoided serious investigations which would apprehend the culprits and put them where they belong. Our professions of horror and outrage are so much eyewash so long as we permit our federal officials to remain aloof or save face with investigations which are a mere pretense.

But there are more ways than one of torturing the human soul besides punishing the body. Even if southerners are deterred by threats of imprisonment and capital punishment from acts of physical violence against the negro, the fundamental problem still remains. It shows itself in remote England where some white soldiers try to teach the still untutored English the refinements of discrimination against the American negroes now stationed there. It shows itself in the refusal of the Daughters of the American Revolution to give Marion Anderson the use of Constitution Hall. It shows itself in the unspeakably filthy housing conditions which make Harlem and other negro districts the breeding places for every known form of crime and immorality. It shows itself in the granite wall which faces every negro who tries to raise himself above the level of a menial. It shows itself in all sorts of small ways, for example in the fact that negroes rarely if ever appear in a moving picture with whites save as servants and mammy singers.

One of the wisest negroes, Booker T. Washington, said that you can't keep a man in the ditch unless you get into the ditch yourself to hold him there. The south is in that ditch, filled to the brim as it is with rabble-rousers, poor whites and the other assorted chemical agents out of which dictatorships are brewed. The north is not far away. Problems are not like racial minorities; they cannot be snubbed. If we don't shortly address ourselves to this problem—begin with by pursuing lynchers with the same determination that we pursue all murderers—the problem will address itself to us.

THE UNKINDEST CUT

"Is my face dirty, or is it my imagination?"
"I don't know about your face, but your face is clean."



HE WANTED TO SLEEP IN THE KREMLIN. By Gerhard Schacher. Reynal and Hitchcock, New York. Pp. 262. \$2.00.

The author, a Chicago news analyst and formerly a Czechoslovakian journalist of twenty years' standing, explores the causes which led to Hitler's attack on Russia, and suggests the reasons for his inevitable ultimate military collapse. The book contains a number of interesting details of the relationship between Hitler and the Junkers, but adds nothing new to what has already been told and written. The internal picture of Germany is simplified, and the analysis of the Russian situation is somewhat superficial.

THE MAKING OF TOMORROW. By Raoul de Roussy d. Sales. Reynal and Hitchcock, New York, N. Y. \$3.00.

Speaking as an ethical humanist, the author fervently pleads that our civilization shall be preserved and expanded. The author's plea and case are weakened considerably by his emphasis on what he calls miscalculations of schools of social thought whose approach he rejects. Likewise, the author exaggerates the extent to which people see a conflict between flesh

and soul. His view as to the future is sober, though a bit skeptical as to the likelihood of our attaining a better day. A valuable section of the book is the analysis drawing an instructive, rather than artificial, parallel between certain ominous developments in recent European politics and some dangerous reactionary trends in our own political life.

BEHIND THE URALS. By John Scott. Houghton, Mifflin Co. Boston, Mass. \$2.75.

This is no yarn spun by some journalist overwhelmed by small kindness. Nor is this volume a collection of diplomatic illiteracies over-advertised as the final "inside" truth about Russia—a giant land in the convulsions of revolutionary transition and torment. The author has worked for five years in the newly-built city of steel in the Urals—Magnitogorsk. His picture is simple, enlightening and timely. It reveals the dynamic spirit behind the monumental Soviet industrial accomplishment. But the book does even more than that. It gives us a bit of insight into the why and wherefore of Russia's ability to resist the Nazis and prepare the graveyard of Hitler's hordes. We say: read this book and be well rewarded.—C. F. V.

READ THIS SLOWLY, THEN GET MAD!

Rear Adm. C. H. Woodward, USN Ret'd, last week urged Americans to compare their present freedom with the terror they would face if the Nazis triumphed. Such a comparison, said Woodward in an address to the Wartime Conference of the Associated Industries of Massachusetts, "will be a step towards victory. For it is not until we begin to be afraid that we shall lose the war that we will settle down in earnest to win it."

"Tonight when you go home," Woodward urged his audience, "pause on your doorstep and look long and lovingly at your house. Then think of the thousands of families abroad who have long forgotten the meaning of home since the bombs began to drop. Turn on the light. You are doing what free men all over Europe dare not do."

"Have a snack before you turn in. Plenty of milk or cheese or bread and butter. Then remember that in Athens at this very minute starving families are raiding garbage cans for the slightest scrap of food. Switch on the radio. That simple snap of the dial would mean death or the concentration camp under the shadow of the swastika. Yet thousands of people risk it nightly because they are hungry for the sound of the truth."

"Before you retire, go to the children's room and stand by their bedside a minute. Kiss them gently as they lie asleep and then pretend that this will be the last kiss and that during the night you may be awakened by the secret police and dragged off to some foreign labor camp."

"If you do all this and you realize that it can happen here, you will feel the first clutching of fear. A cold dread will creep into your bones and we face defeat. And that will be a step towards victory. For it is not until we begin to be afraid that we shall lose the war that we will settle down in earnest to win it."

POEM OF THE WEEK

TELL THEM NOW!

If with pleasure, you are viewing any work someone is doing,
If you like them or you love them, tell them now.
Don't withhold your approbation till the parson makes oration
And they're lying with white lilies o'er their brow.
For, no matter how you shout it, they won't really care about it;
They won't know how many tear drops you have shed.
If you think some praise is due 'em, now's the time to slip it to 'em,
For they cannot read their tombstone when they're dead.

More than fame and more than money is some comment,
And the hearty warm approval of a friend.
For it gives to life a savor; it makes them stronger, braver,
And gives them heart and spirit to the end.
If they earn your praise, bestow it. If you love them, let them know it;
Let some true words of encouragement be said.
Do not wait till life is over and they're underneath the cloyer,
For they cannot read their tombstone when they're dead.

AUTHOR UNKNOWN.

Thousand Union People Donate Pint of Blood

Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.
Almost 1000 men and women workers in the General Electric plant here gave a pint of blood for the armed forces during a week's visit by a mobile unit of the Red Cross Blood Donor Service. With appointments for donations arranged through the cooperation of Local 119 of the United Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers and the GE management, workers on both the first and second shifts left machines long enough to visit the plant auditorium where the unit set up headquarters.
Additional visit of the Red Cross mobile unit are scheduled to take blood donations from employees who could not be included in the 995 workers bled on the initial visit.

Longshoremen Watch Picture On Blood Bank

Oakland, California.
West coast warehouse workers were given a step-by-step portrayal of the work of the Red Cross Blood Donor Service recently when 800 members of Local 6 of the International Longshoremen and Warehousemen's Union watched a skit showing the entire procedure from arrival of a donor at the Blood Donor Center to the time his blood donation is stored as plasma.
Red Cross volunteers maintained a registration desk at the auditorium, registering hundreds of union members as prospective blood donors.
On a recent holiday, local officials of the American Federation of Labor urged members of AFL locals to visit the Red Cross Blood Donor Center.

GIGGLES AND GROANS

CAUSE DISCOVERED

A college professor, according to Underwriter's Review, lamented thus to his students: "This class reminds me of Kaffee Hag—96 percent of the active element has been removed from the bean."

HEAD START

Two rabbits were watching a long and busy assembly line on which thousands of tank parts were being made. They watched this for an hour. Then one of them turned to the other and said: "Don't think I'm jealous—but they must've started with more than two."

TIP APPRECIATED

Judge (whispering before the case opens)—"Your wife accuses you of terrorizing her."
Defendant—"Well, your honor, you see she always tries to —"
Judge (interrupting): I don't care what she does. As man to man, tell me how you go about it."

TOUGH TEDDY

The three bears were taking a walk on the desert, so Goldilocks could eat the little bear's porridge. Papa Bear sat on a cactus and said "Ouch!"
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The little bear sat on a cactus and didn't say anything—just sat. Mama Bear turned to Papa Bear, "Paw," she said, "I hope we're not raising one of those Dead End kids."

HEAD TO BEAT

A teacher in a country school was trying to impress on the minds of the small evacuees the meaning of ARP. He asked the children to give their ideas of a perfect black-out.

Next day the answers were brought and the prize was awarded for this:

"A blind man, dressed in a black suit, in a coal cellar with the doors shut, on a foggy night, and without a light, groping among the coals for a blind black cat."

HIGH BID

The Axis leaders were playing contract bridge in Hitler's mountain retreat.

"Three diamonds," said Herr Goering.

"No bid," said Goebbels.

"Five diamonds," said Von Ribbentrop.

"One club," said Schickelgruber.

"Pass."

"Pass."

"Pass."

HIS MISTAKE

A ship's passenger discovered he'd left his toothbrush in the washroom and hastened back to recover it, only to find another man using it.
"Pardon me, but that's my toothbrush you're using," he said.
"Oh, I'm sorry," exclaimed the other man apologetically. "I thought it belong to the boat."

THE TRAGEDY OF WAR

A young man strolled into the corner drug store. When a lady clerk approached and asked him what he wanted, he whispered in her ear.

"Why, I'm terribly sorry," she said, "but we can't even get tires for our car."

TOUGH WEATHER

"When were you born?" asked the sergeant, taking the particulars of the recruit.

"December, 1917," answered the recruit.

"Ah," mused the sergeant. "I well remember that winter. It was bitterly cold."

"Cold," echoed the recruit. "I'll say it was cold. I was brought by a penguin—the stork couldn't make it."

EVIDENCE SCARCE

Irate Church Woman: "Why don't you arrest that nudist colony that is disgracing this neighborhood?"
Sheriff (something of a wag): "I would, but it's awful hard to get anything on them."

AIN'T WAY I HEARD IT!

"I have come to join my husband," said Mrs. Smith, arriving at the Golden Gates.

"Delighted to meet you, ma'am," replied St. Peter. "What was your husband's name?"

"Joseph Smith."

"I'm afraid that will not be sufficient for us to identify him. You see, we have quite a lot of Joseph Smiths up here. Are there any other means by which I can identify him?"

"Well, before he died he told me that if I ever kissed another man he would turn in his grave."

"Oh! I know the chap. Up here we call him 'Whirling Joe!'"

"BEST LAID PLANS"

At the wedding reception the young man remarked: "Wasn't it annoying the way that baby cried during the whole ceremony?"

"It was simply dreadful," replied the prim little maid of honor.

"When I got married I'm going to have printed right in the corner of the invitations 'No babies expected.'"

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SHEET METAL WORKERS 304—Meet every third Friday, Santa Cruz, Watsonville, Salinas, Monterey. Pres., John Alsop, 308 19th St., Pacific Grove; Fin. Sec., F. F. Knowles, 232 River St., S. C., Ph. 12767.

GENERAL TEAMSTERS AND AUTO DRIVERS' UNION 287—Meets second Thursday of month at 7:30 p.m., Labor Temple, George W. Jenott, Sec.-Bus. Agt., 72 N. Second St., San Jose, Ballard 6316.

For a representative of Monterey County call L. R. Carey, 117 Pajaro St., Salinas Phone 7590.

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UNITED SLATE, TILE & COMPOSITION ROOFERS, DAMP & WATER-PROOF WORKERS ASSOCIATION 50—Meets first Friday in Watsonville Labor Temple, 3rd Friday in Monterey Carpenters'

Jeffers Warns Unionists To Set Up Committees For Gas Ration Set-Up

VITAL TO ESTABLISH WHO ENTITLED TO EXTRA GAS SUPPLY

Washington, D. C.

Organized labor has a vital concern with the new gasoline rationing regulations, which will become effective December 1, 1942. These regulations provide that any person applying for supplemental gasoline must have certification of need to present to the local Rationing Board before his application will be considered. The Labor Section of the Office of Civilian Defense and the labor office of the Office of Price Administration have jointly worked

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Sincerely yours,
NEWMAN JEFFERS,
Chief Labor Section
Office of Civilian Defense.

It is expected that the official in charge of the Organized Transportation Plan will certify to the occupation, place of employment and the mileage needs of the applicant. With respect to the last point, the certification is not to be made unless the official of the Organized Transportation Plan to the best of his knowledge and belief knows that the applicant is carrying four persons (including the driver) in his car in driving to and from work and in carrying on his work, and that there are less than four persons carried in the car, including the driver, that alternative means of transportation are inadequate and that the applicant is carrying as many passengers as is feasible.

After the application has been certified to by the official in charge of the Organized Transportation Plan, it will go directly to the local rationing board. It is expected that the local rationing board will accept the certification without further inquiry unless there is evidence of unsatisfactory work on the part of the plant committee.

The Highway Advisory Committee to the War Department and the Office of Civilian Defense are assisting in setting up Transportation Plans at the plants covered by this regulation. In addition, the War Department is sponsoring of group riding plans on an experimental basis in some 75 plants. Wherever these departments or agencies are active in plants in which you are interested, offer them your cooperation. However, your first step should be to have the appropriate officer of your union get in touch with the management at the plants where you have membership, and tell them that you want to help set up the plan.

SUGGESTED STEPS

The following suggestions, based on experience with joint management-labor plans established under the Tire Rationing Regulations, have been made to us and may be helpful to you in solving some of the problems which may come up.

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Full Recognition Granted Labor in Relief Chest Job

New York City.

For the first time organized labor has been recognized as an integral part of the civil and social life of hundreds of cities and towns throughout the United States, according to Matthew Woll, American Federation of Labor vice president, and president of the Labor League for Human Rights and United Nations Relief.

This is the result of an agreement signed three months ago between United Nations Relief of the A. F. of L., the National CIO Relief Committee and Community Chests and Councils, Inc. The agreement provided for direct labor participation and recognition in Community and War Chests from coast to coast.

Labor representatives throughout the country are negotiating local agreements with community War Chests based on this national compact, Mr. Woll stated. "This is one of the most significant undertakings in the history of organized labor," he said. "Labor now takes its rightful place in the community, which too frequently in the past has isolated and ignored the organizations of the working men and women of America."

Mr. Woll pointed out that as a result of the agreement separate appeals and separate campaigns will be eliminated in cities where this agreement has been put in effect. Workers will be called upon to make only two contributions during the next 12 months. These will be a contribution to their local Community War Chest made in weekly, monthly, quarterly or semi-annual installments as may be convenient, and a separate contribution to the American Red Cross in March and April of next year.

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THE MARCH OF LABOR

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AS RECENTLY AS MAY, 1942 4,000,000 AMERICANS WERE LOOKING FOR WORK THROUGH THE U.S. EMPLOYMENT OFFICE. OF THESE, 3,000,000 WERE TOTALLY UNEMPLOYED.

CHARGE CAMPBELL SOUP LABEL GYPS BUYING PUBLIC

New York City.

A phony "new and improved recipe" label is being used by the Campbell Soup Co. to pierce the OPA price ceiling on its soups. Prices on cans bearing the new label are from 1c to 3c higher than on those manufactured previously.

The contents of the new and old cans are identical, an analysis by Eastern Cooperative Wholesale revealed. The ingredients listed on the back of the cans also are exactly the same.

"As far as we could tell there is very little difference," the cop reported. "The can said it was a new formula but called for the same ingredients. It is perhaps not quite as spicy as formerly. Other than that we couldn't see that it was any different from the old Campbell's soup."

The same conclusion was reached by the newspaper PM, which conducted a taste test after receiving protest letters from consumers.

Although both the old and new cans are marked 10c ounces, OPA tried to explain the difference in prices on the ground that the cans now contain 11 ounces.

Ignoring the expose, OPA said: "The OPA new pricing formula recognizes these increased soup canner costs and provides material relief to the industry while providing the housewife with a better soup."

Bill Will Give Benefits to Aid War Survivors

Washington, D. C.

A bill to provide Federal compensation for workers injured, killed, or interned by enemy action off-shore American bases, passed by the Senate and approved with amendments by the House judiciary committee, this week awaited only final congressional action and Presidential approval to become law.

The new bill will supplement the Defense Base Act of 1941 and covers civilian employees of contractors with the United States as well as civilian workers at post exchanges and ship service stores.

In order to compensate for past injuries or death, or detention by the enemy of civilian workers at Pearl Harbor, Wake Island, Guam, the Philippines, and other bases, the bill in its present form is made effective as of Dec. 7, 1941.

The Senate sent the bill to the House with the provision that workers who are missing and known or believed to be prisoners should be regarded, as far as compensation, was concerned, as dead, and their dependents or beneficiaries should be entitled to monthly benefits until they again turn up.

Such death benefits would provide the worker's wife with \$13.13 monthly and 10 percent of his wages for each child, with a maximum compensation of \$25 per week.

State in Urgent Need Of Safety Engineers

Sacramento, California.

Industrial and boiler safety engineers are urgently needed by the State Accident Commission. The California State Personnel Board has issued a special appeal to men for civil service examinations on December 12, 1942, for Assistant Industrial Safety Engineer and Assistant Boiler Safety Engineer. Both positions pay an entering salary of \$245 a month.

Stalingrad Has Scrap Drive on Volga's Bottom

Kuibyshev, Russia.

Stalingrad is running its own scrap metal drive—and this one's carried on under artillery fire and aerial bombardment.

The Red Army needs equipment and doesn't give a tank up for lost even when it's on the bed of the Volga River as a result of the sinking of a freighter by Nazi planes. When a ferry carrying tanks was sunk in the river at Stalingrad, Russian deep sea divers went down to recover them. The detachment walked the river bed for an hour under fire from trench mortars and other artillery. Under the guidance of a commander who was struck by Nazi fire, the divers brought the tanks up to the shore with hoisting machines.

Soviet deep sea divers have also saved Nazi equipment for use by the Red Army. After Russian artillery batteries had sunk a German transport in the Black Sea, continued Soviet fire prevented Nazi speedboats from saving the cargo. That night, Russian divers went down for the sunken material and brought it ashore. Since the start of the war, Russian divers have given the Red Army millions of dollars worth of war equipment by salvaging German munitions.

Joint Labor-Boss Managing Set-up Gets Results in English Factory

London, England.

Latest evidence of the effectiveness of labor-management production committees in increasing output of war materials comes this week from an important London arms factory, where output has increased 500 per cent since a joint committee was set up six months ago.

"The plant truth is that without the joint production committee, and without the help of the shop stewards, we never could have achieved this increase," the general manager of the plant said yesterday.

"Eighteen months ago there wasn't a plant in the country which could tackle the production of the type of guns we're making. When our factory started producing, we had little mechanical power and no heating."

"The men worked through the night with improvised bucket stoves, wearing their overcoats. Cooperation between management and the men has solved our worst difficulties and now we're well on the joint production committee and crew."

COMMON AIM

Pointing out that when the committee was first set up there was mutual distrust between the workers and management, the general manager said that this had soon disappeared when both sides realized that they had a common aim: to beat the Axis in the shortest possible time.

Bottle-necks are now tackled by workers who go into the plant on their day off. A hundred and sixty volunteered last Saturday for a special clearance job.

A. V. Alexander, First Lord of the Admiralty, has sent a message to the joint committee, praising it for its work in increasing production. A spokesman for the workers' side of the committee declared: "We'll continue to smash all production targets so that we can smash Hitler with a Second Front."

God Almighty hates a quitter.—GENERAL FESSENDEN.

STATE COLLECTION OF BACK PAY FOR REFUGEE PRAISED

San Francisco, California.

A lesson in democracy as learned by a refugee from Nazi oppression is told in the following letter received by H. C. Carrasco, State labor commissioner:

"I received today your check as final payment in a suit against my former employer who failed to pay my salary when I left his place last March.

"May I thank you for the help you have given me and for all the trouble you have gone to by contacting the other party and for the incessant efforts you have made to satisfy my claim.

"But it is not really the money for which I am writing this letter. When I came to this country two years ago as German refugee from Nazi oppression, I was stateless, no country in the world was willing to accept me and to protect my civil rights. This little interlude on behalf of a non-paid salary brought me for the first time in contact with the American law, and you can imagine my amazement when your court upheld my rights regardless of nationality and creed.

"I feel the greatest respect for a country in which even in wartime a foreigner finds protection, and which builds an institution like yours to enforce the laws of a democratic country."

The refugee, a woman, employed as a laboratory technician, appealed to the labor commissioner when she was unable to collect \$50 of her monthly salary of \$65. Investigation by the labor commissioner revealed that the employer was in financial difficulties and arrangements were made, satisfactory to all parties, for the payment of the wages due.

Railroad Workers Aid Management To Improve Runs

Washington, D. C.

A labor-management conference with six representatives of the railroad workers' unions and six spokesmen for the operators was formed last week to provide the widest possible use of railway facilities in the war program. The conference was set to tackle such problems as training rail workers and maintaining a stable supply of railway labor.

Representing the railway workers' unions in the conference are: David B. Robertson, president, Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Engineers; George M. Harrison, grand president, Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen; Samuel J. Hogan, president, National Marine Engineers' Beneficial Association; B. M. Jewell, president, Railway Employees' Department (AFL); A. F. Whitney, president, Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen; and Julius Lührsen, secretary, Railway Labor Executives Association.

Management spokesmen are M. W. Clement, president, the Pennsylvania Railroad; E. W. Scheer, president, Reading Railway System; J. B. Hill, president, the Louisville and Nashville Railroad; E. E. Norris, president, Southern Railway System; H. W. Baldwin, chief executive officer, Missouri Pacific Lines; and C. L. Denney, president, Northern Pacific Railroad.

The conference will hold its first regular meeting November 26 and will meet monthly thereafter.

Plenty of Protein For Meat Hounds In Other Edibles

Washington, D. C.

"Even the biggest men doing the hardest work will not suffer under the meat sharing program if they eat enough other strength and health building foods each day," says Dr. Robert S. Goodhart of the Office of Defense Health and Welfare Services, Nutrition Division.

The 2½ pounds of beef, lamb, pork, mutton and veal, which is the amount the government has fixed under the meat sharing program, provides more than enough of the daily allowance of animal protein needed for good nutrition.

A man doing heavy work in a war plant should be careful to consume sufficient amounts of vegetables and fruits to take care of his energy requirements.

There are a number of sources of animal protein in addition to the restricted "carcass meats" and variety meats. These other sources are called meat alternates. They include fish, poultry, cheese, milk and eggs.

Whole grain cereals, whole grain or enriched bread, dried beans, peas and a host of other vegetables are good sources of vegetable proteins to include in your meals.

Lunches for war workers suggested by the Office of Defense Health and Welfare Services Nutrition Division may be used as a guide.

Capital, created by labor of the worker, oppresses the worker by undermining the small proprietor and creating an army of the unemployed.—NIKOLAI LENIN.

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Montana Solon Lauds Russian Achievements

The Hon. James E. Murray, Senator from Montana and noted Catholic layman, pays tribute to Soviet progress in an article "A Quarter Century of Soviet Progress," published in the November issue of the magazine, Soviet Russia Today. Senator Murray writes: **LAUDS FAR-SIGHTEDNESS OF STALIN**

"The impartial student of Soviet Union history must admit that since the present prime minister of the Soviet Union, the great leader Joseph Stalin, took over the destinies of his nation their miraculous progress has become a reality and not a mere dream. With the introduction of the first Five-Year Plan, the Soviet Union began to march in seven-league boots towards a higher standard of living, towards the elimination of illiteracy, towards the industrialization of the country, towards the raising of agricultural productivity. And with all that has come the strength, that morale, that marvel of the century—the superhuman resistance of Stalin-grad, Moscow, Leningrad and the countless other points of contention. With the enemy within a stone's throw of those objectives, within the very gates of the city, yet the would-be world conquerors must suffer the disappointment of seeing his prey and not getting it. The prey is dangling within the eyesight of Hitler, the mouth is watering, but the tooth will never feed the taste of the victim's flesh. **ADMIRERS STAND**

"This is what the Soviet Union has accomplished within about 12 years of peaceful, planned reconstruction. Thank God for the wisdom of his leaders! Thank God for the wisdom of the Russian masses who loyally followed and are following their leaders, who continued to deny themselves the things which we Americans have long been considering as necessities in order to build up their industries while the democracies were sound asleep. That is why the Soviet Union is today able to hold off the beasts of Berlin, that is why the skies of America are still free from the devastating bombs of the wanton Nazi murderers; that is why we can look forward to the day when this agonizing war will be victoriously concluded by the United Nations."

Trainmen Head Flays 'Freeze Labor' Policy

Cleveland, Ohio. Denouncing as Hitlerian, proposals to conscript labor, freeze wages, and "shoot every union organizer at sunrise," A. F. Whitney, president of the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen, in an article appearing in the November issue of "The Railroad Trainman," urges the adoption of a national policy in regard to manpower with "government, labor, and industry all counseling together."

His complete statement follows: **FREE LABOR WILL WIN!** That slogan is just as true today as it was on Labor Day. But the "brass hats" are brazenly endeavoring to repudiate it—and in the face of many declarations from the White House and high administration spokesmen that we are fighting a people's war for freedom. **FOLLOW HITLER!** Hitler attempts to replace his enormous losses in manpower by ruthlessly forcing into industrial slavery the peoples in the occupied countries. Proposals advanced in this country—to conscript labor, to freeze wages, to "shoot every union organizer at sunrise"—are in the Hitler, not the American, tradition.

Certainly there is a manpower problem in the United States. The Army, the Navy, and the Air Forces need men. War industry and transportation need men and women. Agriculture is faced with the same situation. **THE WAY OUT** What is the way out of the dilemma? First of all, if there is any freezing to be done, let us freeze those Bourbon mentalities, who think only in terms of profits. Secondly, there is need of an immediate survey of total manpower requirements. Thirdly, a national policy in regard to manpower should be democratically arrived at by government, labor, and industry all counseling together. There must be no backroom decisions whose effect would be destructive of morale. In a people's war the people have a right to participate in the solution of this problem.

You will find no justification in any of the language of the Constitution for delay in the reforms which the mass of the American people now demand.—FRANKLIN ROOSEVELT, U. S. Treasury Department

Hamburger, Donut Diet Said Basis Of Malnutrition

San Francisco, California. By PATRICIA CORLEY

A large percentage of California's war workers are suffering from malnutrition. The "ulcer gulches" of the state—those rows of hamburger stands outside many factories and plants—hasty breakfasts that often consist only of coffee and doughnuts—these are some of the factors that are undermining the health and energy of thousands of defense workers.

So says Dr. Henry Borsook, a member of the nutrition committee of the State Council of Defense. Dr. Borsook's recent report to the State Council, concerning the nutrition of defense workers, contains some surprising information.

Dr. Borsook selected 1200 workers at random in a large war production plant in the southern part of the state to study their eating habits. Here are some of the things he found:

Twenty-six per cent of the men drank no milk at all. Another 26 per cent drank less than one-half pint per day. Altogether, two-thirds of these men were getting inadequate amounts of milk. Twenty-two per cent ate no leafy vegetables at all. Sixty-two per cent ate less than one serving every other day. Two-thirds were not eating enough leafy vegetables. Unless one serving of leafy vegetables a day is eaten, you won't get enough vitamin "A," among other things.

Eighty per cent were getting inadequate amounts of citrus fruits. In other words, they were not getting enough vitamin "C."

WHAT WE ARE FIGHTING FOR

We are fighting against the monsters of tyranny and savage force, wherever on the earth they must be fought. We do not turn our backs on the Old World. We know that freedom cannot be safe in the New World unless it is secure in the entire world. We know that our devotion to New World ideals and our utter willingness to sacrifice our all in the defense give the millions in the Old World the courage to fight on.

And when the victory on the battlefields is won our new world ideals will be needed all the more, as we confront the job of building a wise and enduring peace for the entire world.

That fight for the right kind of peace will not be won in a day. That fight will go on down the years. It will be fought in California and in Texas and in every one of our forty-eight states. It will be fought not only in the United States but in Mexico and in every one of our United Nations. It will be fought over the entire world, wherever men and women and children live and love and make their homes.

It is a fight that never will be completely won, but it will always be the fight most worth the winning. This is the fight that we in the New World have pledged ourselves to make. We shall not forsake that pledge.—HENRY A. WALLACE.

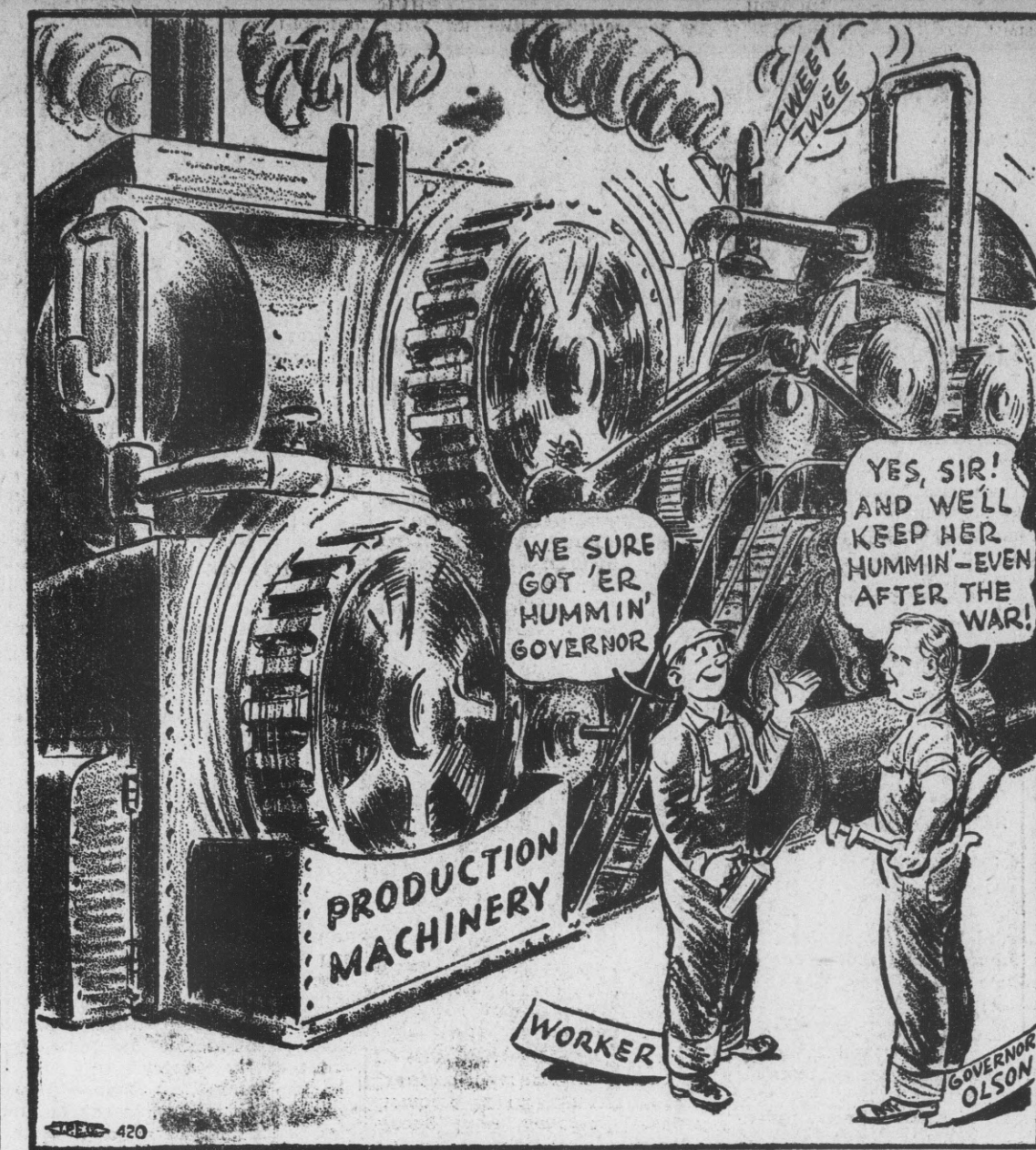
Here's a Union That Hates to Sign Contract!

Cleveland, Ohio. The Hotel and Restaurant Employees International Alliance (AFL) won an agreement with the Park Lane Villa, hotel owned by the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers. (unaffiliated), but not without a fight. It took a strike of several days to convince BLE President Alvaney Johnston that the union represented a majority of the hotel's employees. The pact provides wage adjustments, vacations and maintenance of membership.

What You Buy With WAR BONDS

When the American Expeditionary Force landed in Ireland recently newspapers reported the citizenry remarked at the similarity of the steel helmets worn by our boys with those worn by German troops. These steel hats are protection from shrapnel fragments and other light missiles. We need thousands of them for they are a regular issue to every American soldier.

A smart strap fastens under the chin and they are padded for comfort. One steel helmet costs \$5 so every time you fill a \$5 stamp book you are buying protection for an American soldier. Invest at least ten percent of your income in War Bonds every pay day. Help your community reach its War Bond Quota. U. S. Treasury Department



Hearst Papers Spread Poison Against Labor

Seattle, Washington. The Hearst newspapers throughout the country are lambasting the workers employed in war plants or on construction projects, accusing the workers of loafing on the job. Generally, these newspapers are doing their level best to destroy national morale, reports F. L. Alexander, president of General Teamsters' Union, Local 564, of Meadville, Pa., in a letter to Dave Beck, vice president of the I.B.T. He enclosed a copy of the Pittsburgh Hearst paper which contained a typical smear story attacking organized labor on a government project. "We have noted in a recent issue of the Washington Teamster that the press is attacking labor," he writes. "We are having our difficulties, too, with the same kind of attacks by the Hearst paper in Pittsburgh. The reporter from the paper misrepresented himself and gained admission to the project as a common laborer." Alexander also enclosed a copy of the reply labor is making to the Hearst press.

Voorhis Pledges To Back Bill to Up Postal Wage

Los Angeles, California. A bill calling for a full 10 per cent pay increase for postal employees will be introduced by Congressman Jerry Voorhis of the 12th Congressional district, according to a statement made by the congressman last week. He was speaking before representatives of the National Federation of Postoffice Clerks and the National Association of Letter Carriers. His assurance of assistance in the long fight of the Postal Employees means sidetracking of a bill calling for the pay increase a few weeks ago will not end the hopes for wage re-adjustments. Postal Employees groups had presented their case before numerous congressional committees and believed a bill meeting their approval would be sent to the floor of the Senate. Suddenly, with only brief consideration, however, the Senate Civil Service committee ordered the bill laid over for consideration at a later date.

Labor Aids Business But Business Turns Around—Bites Labor!

Chicago, Illinois. The AFL and CIO have been working hard in Washington to get consideration for the small businessmen who have been frozen out of the war production picture by the big business interests. The Conference of American Small Business Organization has shown its gratitude for labor's efforts by siding with the big business interests, as represented by the National Association of Manufacturers, to attack the workers. In an open letter to President Roosevelt, Conference Chairman Frederick A. Virgus drags up the NAM's phony strike statistics and demands that an end be put by the Government to a non-existent strike wave.

TESTED RECIPES — for — UNION HOME MAKERS

(Union housewives—and men who pride themselves in cooking—are asked to send favorite tested recipes to RECIPES EDITOR, 5823 Occidental St., Oakland. Be sure to give name, address and union).

STEAMED SALMON PUDDING
One pound of canned salmon, 1 tablespoon butter, 1 tablespoon flour, ½ cup milk, ½ teaspoon salt, ½ cup bread crumbs, 1 teaspoon salt, 1 small onion chopped very fine, 1 teaspoon parsley chopped, 2 eggs, ¼ cup suet, chopped fine.
Flage the salmon. Melt the butter add flour and stir until smooth. Add milk, and cook until thickened. Cool. Add seasonings and the well beaten eggs. Add onions, parsley, suet, bread crumbs and salmon. Taste to see if it needs anything. Pour into a well greased mold. Cover with wax paper and steam gently for ninety minutes. Serve with lemon slices or tartar sauce.

VEGETABLE AND CHEESE CASEROLE
One cup cooked or canned vegetables, 1½ cups scalded milk, 1 cup soft bread crumbs, ¼ cup melted butter or substitute, 2 pimientos chopped, 1 tablespoon chopped parsley, 1½ tablespoons chopped onion, 1½ cups American cheese, grated, ½ teaspoon salt, ½ teaspoon pepper, dash paprika, 3 eggs.
Pour the scalded milk over the bread crumbs. Add butter, pimiento, parsley, onion, grated cheese and seasonings. Then add the well-beaten eggs. Put the vegetables in a well-greased loaf pan, and pour the milk and cheese mixture over them. Bake about one hour in a slow oven until loaf is firm. This recipe serves six.

Volga Rivermen Decorated For Running Boats During Seige

Kulbyshev, USSR. Twenty-nine Volga rivermen were decorated with orders and medals by the Military Council of the Front for "gallant services in the defense of Stalingrad." Captains, mates, engineers, sailors and fire-fighters of the Volga flotilla, who have distinguished themselves under enemy fire, are among those honored. Most are members of the Union River Transport Workers.

The Order of the Red Star was given to Captain Shvarey, who in the course of one night carried across the river on his small boat more than 10,000 men and hundreds of guns. His vessel made trip after trip under constant enemy shelling by mortars and heavy guns.

Yyotr Vorobyov, captain of the fireboat Gasitel, also received the Order of the Red Star for putting out fires in piers on the Volga waterfront, preventing them from spreading to grain barges under intense enemy bombing, which killed several members of the Gasitel's small crew. Two sailors in the crew also received medals.

Earlier 125 river workers had received medals from the Commissariat of River Transportation. Today's decorations show the appreciation of the Red Army for the heroism of the Volga rivermen and women.

Oakland Heads Cities In Cost of Living

New York City. The cost of living rose faster in Oakland, Calif., from August to September than in any other of the 70 principal cities surveyed by the Conference Board. It went up 2.1 per cent there. San Francisco and Erie, Pa., had the largest increase in the last 12 months—12.3 per cent.

Capitalist production begets, with the inexorability of a law of nature, its own negation.—KARL MARX.

As Our Readers See It



(Readers of this paper are invited to express their opinions in this column. Such opinions reflect the ideas only of the contributors and not the editorial viewpoint of this paper. Positively no letters will be published unless signed by the writer and the address given. Shorter contributions will be given first consideration, and the editor reserves the right to abbreviate.)

(EDITOR'S NOTE: The following letter was printed in Frank M. King's column in the Western Livestock Journal, quoting a rancher well known in this area. The letter was referred to the Labor News for publication, following its reading at the Salinas labor council meeting last week.)

I have a letter from that cowboy, J. J. McCracken, who owns a cattle ranch up there by Ojai, California, answering an item about Senator McNary of Oregon that I reprinted from an Oregon newspaper recently, in which the Senator gave the cowboy a sort of left-handed praise with what cowboys consider a SLAM. Mr. McCracken takes issue with the Senator in the following letter: "Ojai, October 15-42. Mr. Frank King, your Mavericks are real good reading and also educational to most people who read them. The 'QUOTE' on McNary is a good one for lots of people who never hear of POLITICAL FARMERS unless they read it in a paper that is independent. McNary said his piece, now I am going to say mine. The true cowboy is a cross between a true American mother and a true American father, and I mean true and honest, whereas a senator is a cross between a windbag and a double-crosser, a yes man for Standard Oil, a near night owl. You see it takes four to make a cross. As for a cowboy being a cross between a whisky bottle and a poem, as Mr. McNary says, Mr. McNary is a liar and he knows it; he don't you can quote me directly on him.

"He says he don't like to refer to his own situation. He should have kept his big mouth shut. He is sitting on top of a pork barrel in Washington and 10 to 1 he has a peon doing 10 men's work on his fruit orchard for the pay of one slave before the Civil War. Senator McNary says the cowboy carries a bottle in one pocket and a pistol in the other. McNary more than likely carries a fat contract in one pocket for himself and a lot of red tape for the public. He says the cowboy, for relaxation, plays pool and poker and the WOMEN. Well, most senators play pool and poker and how they play the women for votes. Them old buck senators, one foot in the pine box, the other on a greased pig, many times around sixty, marry young girls of 20, then in a short time they wake up (or do they) with both feet in the old pine box. McNary says the cowboy spends his money and is soon broke again, but he considers it fitting and proper. Maybe so. But you can't break a senator because he has his interest in politics and he can get good connections with a lobbyist any time he gets short of long-green.

"So then he gets on his mule and goes clattering over the floor of the senate, painting and shouting his blooey for a law to stop people from getting better wages and better conditions. The people should move the shipyards and the cantonments further than 40 miles from McNary's playground, then he might be able to get some \$20 per month help for his orchard. Poor Senator McNary. Hokey to you, McNary. You ran on a ballot to increase the taste of your own palate. Boy, what a bitter pill. This ain't no poem. Yours truly, J. J. McCracken, Ojai, California."

Oakland Plant Sends Soviet 25,000 Quilts

Oakland, California. To the Russian Red Army fighting in defense of Stalingrad and preparing to launch a winter offensive and to American soldiers in Alaska went 25,000 eleven-pound quilts last week, made by workers at the National Automotive Fibers plant here.

Spurring production at the plant this week was the newly-formed labor-management production committee which declared its first aim to be the elimination of waste. "Every bit of wool is needed to pad these quilts for our gallant armed forces and those of our allies," said production committee representatives of Textile Workers Local 146.

LITTLE LUTHER

Asked by teacher to write a theme in the spirit of Alice in Wonderland, Little Luther submitted the following:

Once upon a time a man came riding out of the south on a flat-wheeled street car with a legion cap on his head. His name was Roane Waring. He had a bull voice. And riding out of Washington on a wash boiler that he called a ship was a man named Admiral Land. He had a bull frog voice.

They met in the middle of a front page. And with his best eight-column streamer manner, Land said: "Where are you going with that gattling gun, Ronie, old chap?" "And where," asked Waring, "are you going with that depth bomb, Addie, old pal?"

"I'm hunting," replied the admiral, "for union organizers." "How strange, Addie," remarked the Memphis flat-wheeler. "I'm hunting strikers."

"How did you get that bump over your eye, Ronie?" "Looking under the statistical table for lost man-hours from strikes. Seeing as you got personal first, how did you get those bags under your eyes?"

"Sitting up nights trying to figure out how union workers didn't build all those ships the United States has been launching." "I didn't like your speech to the bankers so well."

"Why not?" "You want to wait until sunrise to shoot 'em. I say—just shoot 'em." "Come, come, Ronie, old boy. After all, we extend the courtesy of a sunrise sendoff to the enemy. The ULRB would probably call it discriminatory if we gave those union guys any less."

"That's the trouble with this country. We need some good old Americanism and an open season for open shops with no quarter given to a man with a union card." When last seen, the two gentlemen were resting comfortably with their feet in each other's mouth.

Evolution

A fire-mist and a planet,
A crystal and a cell,
A jellyfish and a saurian,
And caves where the cave-men dwell;
Then a sense of law and beauty,
And a face turned from the clod,
Some call it Evolution,
And others call it God.
—W. H. CARRUTH

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